

AMY KELLY: -- that you create, and just in looking at all of that, currently less than three percent of BLM's solar-eligible land is actually being used for solar. Solar energy zones have been created, and those could power approximately seven million homes. So, I just think that is a great effort that could be expanded with the moratorium of coal leasing on our public lands. You have been -- And I just wanted to also address some of the myths that float around in this area. We are talking about clean energy futures and coal employment. U.S. employment and coal mining peaked in 1923 when there were 863,000 coal miners. Solar energy -- and that was deep mining. So, we understand that actually in our nation's history, the largest loss of coal jobs were through mechanization, not regulation. Solar industry jobs today account for the same number of coal jobs available in 1980. And since then, coal employment has been in a steady decline. And this is to, you know, National Mining Association, Mine Safety Health Administration, all the industry stats. So, this is not an Obama policy. This is not an Obama policy that is making us lose these jobs. And I do care. I had asthma as a child, and my dad worked at the very plant that was polluting -- I mean, we could not breathe. There were many kids where I lived. We had asthma. It destroyed my childhood. So, I understand it was not his fault, and it is not your fault. You are -- You are supporting your family. And what we need is for our government land -- for our money to be invested in sustainable jobs that we will not hurt on the communities, that you can be proud of and you can still make the wages that you're making. Thank you.